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FIRST REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONDING TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 13, 2002

It respectfully is requested that the period for responding to the Office Action dated December 13, 2002, now set to expire on January 13, 2003, be extended an additional one month, so as to expire on February 13, 2003, making a total response time of two months.

Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1540. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on February 12, 2003.

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